

Regular meeting of the City Council: Austin, Texas June 23<sup>rd</sup> 1910.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor: Roll call called:

Present Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Gracy & Hart 3

Absent excused Councilmen Bartholomew & Powell 2

The minutes of the last regular and recessed meetings were read and adopted.

The Mayor laid before the Council a petition of Citizens asking the Council to remit a fine assessed in the Recorder's court against C Deering, which was read and referred to Councilman Hart for investigation and report.

The Mayor laid before the Council a petition from R M Thomson Jr asking that the Council remit a fine assessed in the Recorder's Court against Wm McConighan, for fast driving on the streets, which the City Marshal recommended be not granted. The petition was refused by the full vote of the Council.

#### Reports of City Officers:

The Mayor laid before the Council the reports of the Treasurer and City Clerk for the month of May 1910, which were read and ordered filed.

#### Unfinished business:

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$ 30,000.00, for the purpose of paying the interest due July 1st 1910, on Refunding Bonds of the City.

The ordinance was read the third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Gracy & Hart 3

Nays none.

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$ 10,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing Peles and other supplies for the Water & Light Dept.

The ordinance was read the third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Gracy & Hart 3

Nays none.

On a tie the Council recessed subject to call of the Mayor.

June 23rd P M.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor.:

Present Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Gracy & Hart 3

Absent excused Councilmen Bartholomew & Powell 2

The Mayor laid before the Council the returns of the election held June 22nd 1910, on

the proposition to grant a franchise to Claud V Birkhead and others to construct a

line of Street cars in the City of Austin:

Councilmen Gracy and Hart were appointed a Committee to open and canvass the returns of said election.

The Committee appointed to canvass the returns of the election held June 22nd 1910, presented the following report, viz:

Austin, Texas, June 23rd 1910.

To the Hon City Council, City of Austin, Texas.

Gentlemen:

The undersigned Committee of the City Council, appointed to canvass the election held on the 22nd day of June 1910, submitting to the qualified voters of this City, a proposition, instructing the City Council with respect to an ordinance, granting to Claud V Birkhead and Associates, their successors and Assigns the right to construct and operate a line or lines of street railway in the City of Austin, Texas, beg leave to report as follows:

935 votes were cast at said election.

*Petitions to remit fines of C Deering & Wm McConighan*

*Reports City Officers*

*Approval to pay interest on bonds July 1st 1910, passed*

*Approval of \$10,000.00 to pay for Peles, Wire, etc.*

*Return of election at Can franchise Birkhead et al*

*Report Committee to Council*

611 votes were in favor of the proposition instructing the City Council to pass the ordinance granting Claud V Birk head and others a franchise to construct, operate and maintain street railways in the City of Austin, Texas.

323 votes were cast against said proposition, and one illegal vote. The majority of the votes cast being in favor of instructing the City Council to pass the ordinance granting to said Claud V Birkhead and others said franchise, we declare said proposition carried, and that the City Council, as a result of said election, is instructed to pass the ordinance granting to Claud V Birkhead and others said franchise.

The following is the vote by ward:

Ward	For	Against	Total
First Ward,	83	38	121
Second do	101	4	165
Third "	94	65	159
Fourth "	67	62	129
Fifth "	102	28	131
Sixth "	78	39	117
Seventh "	86	27	113
Total	711	323	935

Respectfully submitted,

DB Gray

Jas P Hart

Mayer Weeldridge offered the following resolution:

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

(1) That the report of the Committee of this Council, appointed to canvass and declare the result of the election held upon the 22nd <sup>day</sup> of June 1910, instructing the City Council to pass the ordinance granting to Claud V Birkhead and Associates, their successors and assigns the right to construct and operate a line or lines of street railway in the City of Austin, Texas, be received filed and adopted.

(2) That the report of said Committee, it is apparent that the proposition instructing the City Council to pass the ordinance carried, and said result is here so declared by this Council.

The resolution was passed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Weeldridge, Councilmen Gray & Hart 3

Nays none.

On motion the Council recessed subject to call of the Mayor.

June 24th 1910.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor, with the following members present :

Mayor Woodridge, Councilmen Gray & Hart 3

Absent excused Councilman Bartholomew Sewell 2

Mayor Woodridge offered the following ordinance, viz:

An ordinance granting to Claud V Birkhead and Associates and their successors and assigns the right to construct and operate a line or lines of streetcar street railway in the City of Austin, Texas.

The ordinance was read the second time and laid over.

Councilman Hart offered the following resolution:

On the application of Joe Quinn it appearing to the City Council that the dog of the said Joe Quinn had been impounded and killed by Doc Dorew, the dog catcher, the dog having been impounded and killed at the request of the Packer of the said Joe Quinn by the said dog catcher without the knowledge of the said Joe Quinn, that as soon as the said Joe Quinn ascertained the fact that his dog had been impounded and before he was aware that the dog had been killed, he called upon the Collector and obtained a tag for \$1.00 and a redemption certificate, on receipt showing that the tag was paid - \$1.00, making the sum of \$2.00 paid to the City Collector, but upon arriving at the City Pound, he found that the dog had already been killed, by virtue of these circumstances,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin: That said tag and said receipt be returned to the City Tax Collector, and that the City Clerk be directed to issue a warrant to refund the said Joe Quinn said \$2.00 for the reasons hereinbefore recited.

The resolution was adopted by the following Yea: Mayor Woodridge, Councilmen Gray & Hart 3 Nay: none.

Mayor Woodridge offered the following resolution: Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

- (1) That the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized to issue a warrant for the \$300.00 deposited by Claud V Birkhead to defray the expenses of the special election held on June 22, 1910, at which election the qualified voters of this City authorized the City Council to grant to said Claud V. Birkhead a franchise to construct, operate and maintain street railway in the City of Austin. Tex.
- (2) That said City Clerk be and he is authorized to disburse the proceeds of said \$300.00 warrant as the law requires, and to pay over any unexpended surplus of the same remaining in his hands to the said Claud V. Birkhead on his order.
- (3) That the sum of \$300.00 is hereby appropriated out of the General fund for the purpose of paying the warrant hereby authorized.

The resolution was passed by the following Yea: Mayor Woodridge, Councilmen Gray & Hart 3 Nay: none.

Ordinance granting franchise, Birkhead et al. Just R.D.

Dog tag refunded Joe Quinn

City Clerk directed to draw warrant for expenses claim, Birkhead franchise

Yeas Mayor Woodruff, Councilmen Tracy, Hunt & 3  
Prays vote-

On motion the Council recessed subject to be called on

J. O. Johnson  
City Clerk